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Elba Elementary and Elba High Schools only in the county to receive this designation

Elba Schools both officially named Alabama Bicentennial Schools

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba City Schools celebrated being named an official Bicentennial School for both the elementary and high schools Friday, Aug. 3, as Governor Kay Ivey introduced the 200 schools in Alabama chosen for this special designation.

Governor Ivey launched the Alabama Bicentennial Schools Initiative in December 2017 encouraging all public, private, and

homeschool students and teachers to participate in the celebration of Alabama's 200th anniversary of statehood in 2019. In early 2018, all K-12 schools in Alabama were invited to submit a proposal that engages in outreach and improvement projects to connect their classrooms with their local communities.

"We had 400 excellent projects submitted for this initiative," Governor Ivey

said last Friday morning from the Old House Chamber at the Alabama State Capitol in Montgomery, Ala.

She said 14 committees had the daunting task of narrowing those 400 submissions to choose 200 schools to be designated as official Alabama Bicentennial Schools. On Friday, the governor said it was her honor to be able to introduce those 200 schools selected.

The 200 school selected each received a \$2,000 grant check to use in completing their projects, and they received a banner to be displayed at the school recognizing it as an "Official Alabama Bicentennial School."

Additionally, 56 schools received honorable mentions and a \$500 grant check each.

"It makes me so proud to see such a strong showing of schools participating in the program. It is an honor to recognize these outstanding schools and their projects as we head into Alabama's bicentennial year," Governor Ivey said. "The Alabama Bicentennial celebration is about bringing communities together and getting all of our citizens involved. The schools being honored are a great representation of that goal."

Representing all corners of the state, the selected schools have developed a wide variety of projects that will make meaningful



CHECKS IN HAND...Elba City Schools Superintendent Chris Moseley (center) is shown with Elba High School teacher Anna Marie Moore (left) and Elba City Schools vice principal Jason Tucker (right) following last Friday's official announcement of the 200 Alabama Bicentennial Schools during a ceremony held at the State Capitol in Montgomery. Both Elba Elementary School and Elba High School were among the selected 200 schools based on project submission presented by the schools to the Alabama Bicentennial Committee. Each Bicentennial School received \$2,000 to use in completing its project. The Elba delegation was elated to receive \$4,000 total [\$2,000 each] with both the elementary and high school selected for this honor. Once the projects are completed and turned in to the Alabama Bicentennial Committee, the schools have an opportunity to be selected as a 'School of Excellence' based on the project work - three schools from each of the state's districts will be selected as schools of excellence. The Elba Schools are part of the District 2 delegation. Both of the schools also each received a banner to display at the school recognizing them as Alabama Bicentennial Schools. Moore is leading the high school project while Tucker is leading the elementary school project for Elba. Superintendent Moseley said he is excited about each of the projects.

New Brockton Town Council handles several business matters at regular monthly meeting

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The New Brockton Town Council held its regular monthly meeting Monday evening, Aug. 6, and council members handled mostly just routine business.

Council members approved turning on two streetlights in the downtown area that had not been in use for several years.

Mayor Kathy Holley said the streetlights in question are located between the corner of John Street and Vester Cole. With a new business in that area and the prospect of another, the mayor said the owner of the new business requested the lights be turned back on.

Council members agreed this needed to happen and voted to pay to have those lights turned back on to accommodate the business owner's request.

Council members discussed security cameras being installed inside and outside of the town hall building. The mayor had some cost reports for council members to look at in making a decision on this matter.

Holley said the cameras

would be placed in several areas inside and outside of the building to provide adequate security coverage.

After reviewing the materials provided to them, council member Courtney Campbell said he would like more time to review and attain more in-depth information on the proposed cameras. He especially wanted to research the video storage capacity for the cameras more to be sure they would be adequate for the town's needs.

Council members voted to table this matter in order to get more information on the security cameras.

Police Chief Jimmy Duke provided the monthly activity report for the police department. He noted that while some traffic offenses and/or incident reports were down for the month, there was a small increase in the number of gas drive offs from the Inland store in July. He also said there had been a couple of shoplifting incidents from the Inland store as well during the month.

Chief Duke reported that the police department added 3,975 miles on city vehicles during the month of July. He said this included patrol on the police vehicles, traveling to court, and other routine operations.

Mayor Holley presented the report from the street department for the month

of July. She said the street department had been busy with mowing and bush-hog duties in several areas of the town. Also, the department employees had cut down a tree at the intersection of Church and Griffith streets that had become a traffic hazard, and they had trimmed trees in the town's park. Town clerk Debbie Andrews presented the financials for the month. She noted the general fund had a balance of \$135,492.44 at the end of July.

Following the clerk's report, council members approved a motion to allow the clerk to pay the routine monthly bills. She said this would be approximately \$20,000 for the month.

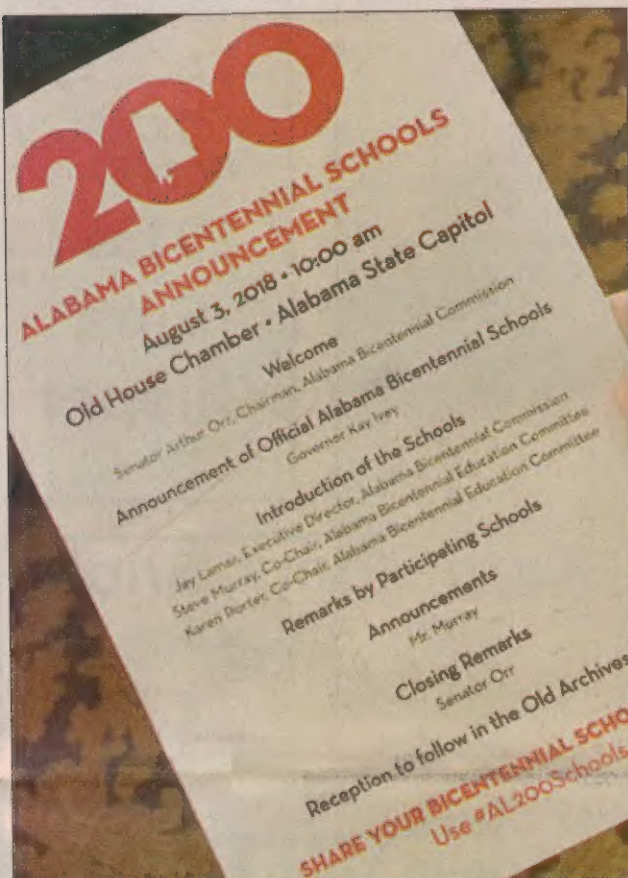
Also during Monday evening's meeting, council member Ronald Terry suggested using work release inmates to help clean the curbs, etc. along McKinnon Street. He said he felt doing this would help 'dress' that area up a bit and make it more appealing.

Council members voted to clean up the curbs, etc. in that area with work release help.

Council members voted to pay the costs for the town's attorney to attend a conference in Orange Beach. The costs involved would be class fees and hotel charges.

The mayor said the town generally sends the attorney to one conference per year.

The town council will hold a work session on Monday, Aug. 20, at 6 p.m. at the New Brockton Town Hall.



The program for the Alabama Bicentennial Schools Announcement last Friday morning, Aug. 3, in Montgomery. Governor Kay Ivey made the official announcement of the 200 Alabama Bicentennial Schools.

Elba Zoning Board approves plans for automatic ice machine installation on downtown property

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

An Elba Zoning Board Hearing, rescheduled from a couple of weeks ago, was held Monday evening, Aug. 6, due to lack of a quorum of voting members at the previously appointed time.

The purpose of the meeting was to approve plans by Mike Carnley to install an automatic ice machine on a vacant piece of commercial property at the corner of Claxton Avenue and Collier Street in the downtown area of Elba.

Carnley addressed the

Board with plans for his venture, including pictures of what it would look like.

While describing the project, he explained that the machine would dispense one of three different options to be selected by the buyer. One and two would be either an eight-pound or a sixteen-pound bag of crushed ice. The third option would be 20 pounds of bulk crushed ice (in customers ice chest, etc.). Carnley noted the ice will always be fresh, never frozen.

The unit would produce

6,000 pounds of ice per day.

After some discussion by board members, Chairman Van McCall called for a vote and the board members unanimously approved the project.

Carnley explained it would take several months for the custom unit to be constructed and installed. Meanwhile, he said he would be preparing the concrete pad the unit occupies on site, as well as, paving the entrance and exits from the public streets.

Public Notices "For your right to know"

Legal notices in The Elba Clipper this week include four public notices.

These 'notices' can be found on Page 6 of today's newspaper.



COFFEE COUNTY DESIGNER WINNERS CONTEST AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE...Mary Alice Helms of Coffee County received third place in the tablescapes contest Saturday, Aug. 4, at the Alabama Farmers Federation's 46th Commodity Producers Conference in Montgomery, Ala. She won \$75, courtesy of the Federation's Women's Leadership Division, for her wheat-themed display.

Area Happenings

ELBA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC PARENT MEETING set for Thursday, Aug. 9, at 6 p.m., in the Elba High School Auditorium. This meeting is for all sports - male and female; fall and spring! Parents with a student participating in athletics this year should attend this meeting!

2018 YOUTH FOOTBALL, CHEERLEADING & SOCCER REGISTRATION IS UNDERWAY FOR ELBA PARKS AND RECREATION! Register online at www.elbarecreation.com or come by the Elba Recreation Center for registration forms.

THE COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION will meet Monday, Aug. 13, for its regular bi-monthly meeting. This will be at 9 a.m. in the community room of the county complex in New Brockton.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Without continual growth and progress, such words as improvement, achievement, and success have no meaning." - Benjamin Franklin

The promise that higher speed internet (5G) could revolutionize medical care in America is exciting. Oh, we don't think it will cure cancer nor do away with heart disease, nor even patch up a broken leg but it should help more regular folks get prompt, expert exams and/or treatment easier. It especially strikes a positive cord with us because telehealth will cut down on the torment of waiting for appointments and fewer hours of sitting in a doctor's office waiting for "your turn". You will just send a picture of your sore toe, readout of your blood pressure, heart rhythm, etc. to the professional's computer and get the answer, right in the comfort of your home.

The donuts you see in the ad to the right on this page were brought into our office to show off the products of the new donut shop in Opp. The charming lady actually left them with us! Of course ALL our personal friends know that we never-ever eat such things, regardless of how good they look . . . but this time it would have been rude to turn away such a gift - and we opted not to be rude! The one at top right was the first to disappear and it did not disappoint. The only thing better would have been two of them (and a couple of antacid tablets).

Last Friday was National Watermelon Day and folks at the Elba United Methodist Church got a head start on the celebration. One of the treats of a Thursday evening buffet welcoming the church's new pastor and his family was . . . watermelon. The assembled crowd did the sweet red melons justice with a proper and hasty consumption of the honored treat. Doing his part to pay respect to the melons was the pastor's one-year old son, Grantham, who eagerly consumed his share - until his watchful mother, also a Methodist minister, switched the child to bread just before he ate enough melon to make himself sick!

It is hard to believe that the public schools in Alabama are back in session for the 2018-2019 school year. Driving safety should be a priority all the year but it seems that the beginning of the school year is when drivers should be a bit more cautious and alert for a child darting, or being accidentally pushed out into the path of a passing vehicle. It should go without saying, but remember that Alabama law dictates that drivers must stop while school busses load and unload students. That would be smart business even without the legal mandate.

The book of Genesis talks about a servant seeking a wife for Abraham's son. He very smartly picked Rebekah because after giving the servant water in that hot desert she went the extra mile and watered his camels. Well on a very personal note, as we mark 55 years of marriage this month, Heddy didn't water any camels but she was constantly handing out huge slices of freshly baked cakes whenever we found an excuse to stop by and speak with her at work. Somehow she knew just the right cake flavors that would please this lonely bachelor, freshly home from his second tour of duty with the U. S. Army. The greater thing is that those cakes have kept coming for 55 years, all the while never complaining about the endless hours raising three great children and toting more than her load in the newspaper office.

Elba Fire Dept. July 30 - Aug. 5 Report

The Elba Fire Department responded Monday, July 30, at 8:43 p.m. to a medical call at 671 Lee St. for a possible stroke; Wednesday, Aug. 1, the Elba Fire Department was dispatched as mutual aide for the New Brockton Fire Department at a barn fire at 6295 Hwy 51 N; Friday, Aug. 3, at 2:45 p.m. the Elba Fire Department responded to a medical call [possible heat stroke] at 975 Smith Ave, and at 6:48 p.m., the Elba Fire Department was dispatched to set up landing zone for Haynes Lifeflight at the airport; on Sunday, Aug. 5, the Elba Fire Department responded at 9:03 p.m. to a medical call at 966 County Road 401 where a person had passed out.

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Beat the Heat: Tips for Caring for the Family Yard this Summer

Summer heat is here, and that might mean less water in your area. Does that mean you need to let your living landscapes suffer? Is watering your yard or lawn frowned upon by neighbors?

"Having a yard and being a good environmental steward are not mutually exclusive, even in drought or high heat conditions," explains Kris Kiser, president and CEO of the Outdoor Power

Equipment Institute (OPEI), an international trade association representing more than 100 power equipment, engine and utility vehicle manufacturers and suppliers. "Grass, trees, shrubs and flowering plants are a vital part of our living landscapes that contribute to our communities, our families and our health. You'd be surprised at how resilient they can be during times of water scarcity."

Keep your lawn looking

good in the summer with these helpful tips from OPEI.

Accept that brown may not be bad. It's okay to let your grass go brown. Grass will grow in cycles, "turning on and off," based on the resources it gets. As water becomes less available in an area, grass will slow down, go dormant and turn brown. Turfgrass is resilient. It will green up again when the rains return—and they always do.

Save your water for more delicate plantings. Flowering plants may require a little more water during drier conditions. That's okay since these plants are vital to our birds, bees, hummingbirds and other pollinators.

Avoid over-watering. Too much water is actually bad for grass, in particular. Overwatering causes the grass roots to grow horizontally, rather than vertically. With less water, the grass has to work harder and will grow its roots deeper into the soil in search of moisture. This helps it do a better job of trapping carbon and releasing oxygen.

Know when to water. Most lawns require about an inch of water per week to stay healthy. Water deeply early in the day during the morning. Moisture can be more efficiently absorbed by your lawn's root system during the cooler part of the day.

Keep grass and shrubs growing. Trim back shrubs when the temperatures aren't sky high for your area. Set your mower to

trim turfgrass a little bit higher. Longer blades give more shade and grass roots extend deeper into the soil. This helps limit weeds and the lawn retains moisture better. Dense turf requires less water too.

Sharpen your mower blades. Dull blades can cause grass to fray. Frayed grass is far more likely to turn brown. A sharp blade is always important, but it's critical to lawn care during hot summer months.

Practice grasscycling. Instead of bagging grass clippings, use a mulching mower and return your grass clippings back to your lawn. This will help trap moisture, keeping the lawn cooler and better hydrated. It also saves you some time and energy because you won't need to bag up the clippings!

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, July 30, investigated the following incidents: one domestic violence, three for theft of property, one public intoxication, two for criminal mischief, one harassing communications, and one for suspicious circumstances.

Arrests made during the week included: one for public intoxication, one for unlawful possession of marijuana, one for possession of drug paraphernalia, one for obstruction/destroying evidence, one for failure to appear, and one for harassing communications.

There were 3 traffic citations and 21 traffic warnings issued by Elba Police officers during the time-frame of July 30-Aug. 5th.

MONDAY, JULY 30 - Theft of property complaint made at police department lobby and reported taken (8:42 a.m.); Two-vehicle wreck reported at Hwy. 84 and Hwy. 125 (5:00 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at the Elba Laundromat on E. Davis St. (5:43 p.m.); Suspicious persons reported at the Laundromat on Claxton Ave. (7:15 p.m.); Vicious dog reported in the area of 714 Roosevelt (9:19 p.m.)

TUESDAY, JULY 31 - Prowler reported on Johnson Street (5:25 a.m.); Suspicious person reported sitting in the ditch near a truck parked beside the road on Hwy. 189 N (7:00 a.m.); Disabled vehicle on Hwy. 84 - female subject with a flat tire and officers assisted her (7:39 a.m.); Persons reported as possibly trespassing at a residence on Guyton St. (9:11 a.m.); Officers assist Haynes Ambulance with medical call on Jackson St. (12:50 p.m.); Breaking and entering of a storage unit reported on Simmons St. (3:55 p.m.); Assault (past tense) reported at Tiger Town Apartments (4:17 p.m.); Domestic (verbal altercation) reported on Mullins Circle (6:02 p.m.); Suspicious person reported knocking down trash cans and mail boxes in area of Martin Luther King Dr. (7:14 p.m.); Subject reported using drugs at a residence on Farris Ave. (8:34 p.m.)

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 1 - Unruly employee reported in parking lot of Burger King (3:00 p.m.); Loitering reported at the laundry mat on W. Davis St. (5:13 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Reese Ave. near Hwy. 203 (5:50 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at Mr. Henry's - female subject arrested (8:13 p.m.); Suspicious people reported at a vacant house next to 825 Putnam St. (9:59 p.m.)

THURSDAY, AUG. 2 - Domestic (verbal) reported at Newton St. and Claxton Ave. (3:42 p.m.); Civil disturbance reported at 100 Beaver Dam Apts. (4:10

p.m.); Report of juveniles riding golf carts up and down road reported on Cherokee Lane (4:08 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle [U-haul trailer] reported at a vacant residence at the corner of Sunset Blvd and Morrow Ave. (7:18 p.m.); Unruly teenager reported at Elba High School (7:47 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 220 County Road 401 (9:53 p.m.); Possible drunk driver reported on Hwy. 87 traveling towards Elba from Troy (10:00 p.m.)

FRIDAY, AUG. 3 - Theft of medication complaint at the front lobby of Police Department - officer took a report (9:35 a.m.); Officers respond to a residential burglary alarm at a residence on Forest Lake Dr. (11:12 a.m.); Officer respond to a residential burglary alarm at a residence on E. Davis St. (2:50 p.m.); Civil disturbance (verbal) reported at 709 Roosevelt Dr. (3:13 p.m.); Complaint of property damage at 717 W Davis St. (4:25 p.m.)

SATURDAY, AUG. 4 - Report of open container [alcohol] at the Marathon station on Claxton Ave. (11:16 a.m.); Suspicious activity reported at a residence on Forest Lake Dr. (1:57 p.m.)

SUNDAY, AUG. 5 - Unsecure door reported at Rusty's Feed and Seed (7:43 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on Claxton Ave. (1:14 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Claxton Ave. (1:40 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Claxton Ave. (1:51 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Claxton Ave. - officers made an arrest (2:07 p.m.); 911 call made from a residence on Sunset Blvd. regarding suspicious person calls from earlier - subject reported to have posted bail from jail (5:16 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Sunset Blvd (6:25 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Claxton Ave. (11:12 p.m.)

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Obituaries

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GAIL LUNSFORD STEWART

Ms. Gail Lunsford Stewart, age 80, a resident of Troy, Ala., died Friday, Aug. 3, 2018, at Jackson Hospital in Montgomery, Ala.



Funeral services were held Aug. 6, 2018 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Chad Fuller officiating. She will be laid to rest at Green Hill's Memorial Park Cemetery in Troy at a later date. The family requested the omission of flowers, and asked those wishing to make memorials in memory of Gail to do so to a charity of choice.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Ginger Stewart; along with her parents, Inez and George Elon Lunsford.

Survivors include a sister: Peggy Calero (brother-in-law, Mario), Montgomery, Ala.; and numerous cousins.

JACOB DURWOOD "J.D." PARRISH

Mr. Jacob Durwood "J.D." Parrish, age 85, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Friday, Aug. 3, 2018, at the Enterprise Health & Rehabilitation Center in Enterprise, Ala.



Funeral services were held Aug. 5, 2018 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Sam Self officiating. Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing. Those wishing to make memorials are asked to do so to Dayspring Hospice in memory of J.D.

He was preceded in death by two wives, Olean Parrish and Exa Mae Meeks, along with his parents, Harvey and Ivey Parrish.

Survivors include his daughter: Susan Diane (Gary) Jackson, Elba; sons: Jacob Wayne (Judy) Parrish, Houma, La., Frankie Parrish, Enterprise, Michael (Bernice) Parrish, Gibson, La., James Earl Parrish, Enterprise; 18 grandchildren, and numerous great- and great-grandchildren.

JEANETTE SMITH PARKER

Mrs. Jeanette Smith Parker, age 92, a resident of Elba, Ala., died peacefully Sunday, Aug. 5, 2018, at the Elba Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.



Funeral services were held Aug. 7, 2018 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Elder George Bryan and Minister Philip Box officiating. Burial followed in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens under the direction of Hayes Funeral Home.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Cecil Parker, and a grandson, William Kevin Turner.

Survivors include three daughters: Judith P. Hudson, Gayle Davis and Gloria Jean Barlow; along with seven grandchildren, and numerous great-grandchildren.

JUDY BOSWELL

Ms. Judy Boswell, age 76, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Friday Aug. 3, 2018, at Medical Center Enterprise in Enterprise, Ala.



Graveside services were held Aug. 6, 2018 from the Pine Level Community Cemetery with Rev. Olan Strickland officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Hayes Funeral Home.

Ms. Boswell was preceded in death by her parents, Beulah Ellenburg Carter and Bill Carter, along with a grandson, Griffin Jones, and a sister, Ellen Briley.

Survivors include her daughters: Starla Jones, Brantley, Ala., and Misty (Mark) Steed, Brundidge, Ala.; grandsons: Seth Prestwood, Nashville, Tenn., Austin Parrish, Philadelphia, Pa.; granddaughter: Sarah Emily Prestwood, Slocomb, Ala.; sisters: Evelyn Hayden, Cincinnati, Ohio, Billie Bandstra, Bradenton, Fla.; brothers: Clinton (Cheryl) Carter, Montgomery, Ala., and Larry (Patsy) Carter, Tallahassee, Ala.

REX W. BOUTWELL

Mr. Rex W. Boutwell, age 80, a resident of the Basin Community, died Friday, Aug. 3, 2018, at his home.



Funeral services were held Aug. 4, 2018 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Sam Self and Rev. Shaun Moore officiating. Burial followed in the New Home Cemetery in the Basin Community with Hayes Funeral Home directing. The family requested that memorial contributions be made to the New Home Cemetery, c/o 10345 Hwy 189, Elba, AL 36323 in memory of Rex.

Survivors include his wife: Betty Boutwell, Elba (Basin Community); daughter: Kim Boutwell, Opp, Ala.; son: Keith (Brenda) Boutwell, Elba; grandson: Chase (Brittany) Boutwell, Mobile, Ala.; great-grandson: Porter Boutwell, also of Mobile; sisters: Patsy Matthews and Ann Holley, both of Elba, and Yvonne Hughes, Enterprise, Ala.; brothers: Virgil Boutwell, Dozier, Ala., and Dan Boutwell, Opp.

JOSEPH MOREMAN MORROW

Mr. Joseph Moreman Morrow died Sunday, July 29, 2018, with his loving family around him.



Joe was born in Elba, Alabama. Upon/at his arrival, his paternal grandfather, Joseph Littleton Morrow, looked at baby Joe and suggested, "Let's call him Pete!" So, to everyone in Elba, Joe was known only as Pete and he did not start using the name Joe until he entered the Navy.

While attending Elba High School, Joe played a guard position on the Elba High School Tigers football team, kicking off every game to the crowd cheer, "Dynamite Morrow." A skilled athlete, he was a strong hitter on the baseball field. After high school graduation, he attended Troy State College for two years before enlisting in the US Navy for four years serving as a Radarman.

After naval retirement, he graduated from the

University of Alabama earning a B.S. degree in business. After graduation, he took the Civil Service Exam and trained to be a real estate appraiser with HUD (Housing and Urban Development).

First assigned to the Washington, D.C. office, he then spent four years in San Francisco, Calif., where he met and married his wife, Demetra. Joe returned to Washington, D.C. and his last assignment was in Knoxville, Tenn., where he has resided since 1972.

Funeral services were held Monday, Aug. 6, 2018, at Rose Mortuary Mann Heritage Chapel on Kingston Pike, followed by interment & full military honors at the East Tennessee State Veteran's Cemetery. Online condolences may be made at rosemortuary.com.

Joe was preceded in death by his father and mother, Levy Powell Morrow Sr. and Mary Sue Moreman Morrow; his brothers, Colonel Levy P. Morrow Jr. and Dr. John E. Morrow Sr.; and a nephew, Levy P. Morrow III "Buddy".

Survivors include his wife of 48 years: Demetra "Debbie"; son: Joseph Littleton Morrow (wife Jeanie), and grandchildren: Will, John, and Ben; his daughter: Helen Morrow Ruberg (husband Chris), and grandchildren, Tess and Lucy; his sister: Dr. Sue Morrow Terrell; and several nieces, nephews and other family members.

BIRRICUS HILL

Mr. Birricus Hill, age 21, of Elba, Ala., died recently at Medical Center Enterprise.

Funeral services were held Aug. 1, 2018 at The Church of Jesus Christ, Elba, Ala., with Coleman Funeral Home in charge of funeral arrangements.

Birricus Malando Hill was born April 29, 1997 in Enterprise, Ala., to Latonya and Ricky Hill. He was a student at Elba High School. He later met a special friend, Jerrikah Elliot with whom he was expecting his first child (Birricus Malando Jr.).

Survivors include his parents: Latonya and Ricky Hill; brothers: Ricky, Cedrick, Kendrick, Derrick, Eric, JaKori, and Rico; sisters: Aaliyah, Latoya, and Olivia; grandparents: Bishop E.H. and Dorothy Hill, and Richard Thomas; one niece: Ja'Maysia; and host of uncles, aunts, cousins, and friends.

MILDRED NOLES JOHNSON

Mrs. Mildred Noles Johnson, age 90, a resident of Bonifay, Florida, died Sunday August 5, 2018, at the Elba Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Sims Funeral Home in Bonifay, Fla.



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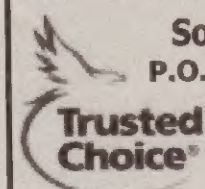
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Alabama 811 encourages free call two working days before digging to know what's below

With August 11th almost here, Alabama 811 hopes this date on the calendar, 8/11, will serve as a natural reminder for residents to call 811 prior to any digging project to have underground utility lines marked. Every hour, more than six damages to buried utilities occur because someone decided to dig without first calling 811.

When calling 811, or placing online requests at www.al811.com through the Web Portal or Mobile Application, homeowners and contractors are connected to Alabama 811, a free service to the excavating community, which notifies member utility companies of their intent to dig. Professional locators are then sent to the requested digging site to mark the approximate locations of member underground lines

with flags, paint or both. If there are utility owners in the area of excavation who do not participate as a member of Alabama 811, the excavator is responsible for contacting them on an individual basis.

Striking a single line can cause injury, repair costs, fines and inconvenient outages. Every digging project, no matter how large or small, warrants a call to 811. Installing a mailbox, building a deck, planting a tree and laying a patio are all examples of digging projects that need a call to 811 before starting.

"On Aug. 11th and throughout the year, we remind homeowners and professional contractors

alike to call 811 before digging to eliminate the risk of striking an underground utility line," said Annette Reburn, Executive Director for Alabama 811. "It really is the only way to know which utilities are buried in your area."

The depth of utility lines can vary for a number of reasons, such as erosion, previous digging projects and uneven surfaces. Utility lines need to be properly marked because even when digging only a few inches, the risk of striking an underground utility line still exists.

Visit www.al811.com for more information about 811 and safe digging practices.

A Note of Thanks

We would like to express our sincerest appreciation to Dr. Young, Day Spring Hospice and all the nurses and staff at Elba Nursing & Rehab.

The Family of Donald Ray Duncan

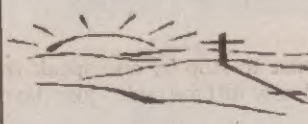
Card of Thanks

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to everyone for your many expressions of love and support during this difficult time in the loss of our "Mama Jacobs" (Mother, Grandmother, Aunt, and Friend). Your friendship and prayers will continue to be a source of strength for us in the weeks and months ahead.

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Damascus Reunion set for Saturday, Aug. 11, at Damascus Senior Center

The Damascus Reunion will be held Saturday, Aug. 11, at the Damascus Senior Center.

Bring a covered dish or dishes. Chicken will be provided. Lunch will be served at 12 noon.

Help spread the word to former Damascus students.

Coffee County Extension Office to host workshop on Tuesday, Aug. 28

The Coffee County Extension office will host a "Should I be a Business Entity? Which One?" workshop on Tuesday, Aug. 28, from 1-4 p.m. at the Coffee County Extension office [in the community room] in New Brockton, Ala.

This workshop is great for agricultural producers, but also small business owners, or anyone thinking

Meet the Tigers set for Aug. 23rd at Elba High School

The annual "Meet the Tigers" event for Elba High School is set for Thursday, Aug. 23, at 6 p.m. on the Elba City Schools campus.

This event allows the community to 'get to know' their football players, cheerleadand band prior to the start of football season.

Coffee County Arts Alliance announces 2018-2019 season

Event Tag Line	Date	Time	Location	Gold Corporate Sponsor
FREE SEASON OPENER SHOWCASING LOCAL TALENT and A Silent Auction of Items from Piney Woods Artists An Evening With	Sep 16, 2018 Sunday	2:00 PM	Enterprise State Community College Multi-purpose Room	
RICKY SKAGGS & KENTUCKY THUNDER From Country's Chart Topper Performer to Bluegrass Music's Official Ambassador	Oct 25, 2018 Thursday	7:30 PM	Enterprise High School Performing Arts Center Enterprise	
ORLANDO TRANSIT AUTHORITY A Chicago Tribute MÉLANGE A Joyful Sextet of All-Star Musicians Romantic, Jazz, Latin, Broadway, Classical	Nov 8, 2018 Thursday	7 PM	Elba High School Elba	
THE CAB CALLOWAY ORCHESTRA Big Band Swing Jazz "The Place to go for HI DE HO"	Jan 17, 2019 Thursday	7 PM	Enterprise High School Performing Arts Center Enterprise	
PINEY WOODS ARTS FESTIVAL A Juried Arts & Crafts Show	Feb 14, 2019 Thursday	7 PM	Enterprise High School Performing Arts Center Enterprise	
BIRMINGHAM CHILDREN'S THEATRE Educational & Cultural Enrichment for Students	April 13, 2019 April 14, 2019 Fall 2018 & Spring 2019	9-5 PM 12-4 PM	Enterprise State Community College Enterprise	
			Enterprise, Elba & County Schools	

Performances are made possible by support from corporate and individual memberships, by the Alabama State Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts

Information 334-406-ARTS (2787) • www.CoffeeCountyArtsAlliance.com

Free music festival, En Fuego, set for Aug. 25th in Verbena, Ala.

The annual music festival, En Fuego, will be held Saturday, Aug. 25, in Verbena, Ala.

En Fuego is a free one-day festival bringing students from all denominations and backgrounds together to worship. En Fuego features several top Christian artists, including: Skillet, Sidewalk Prophets, Ryan Stevenson, Rhett Walker Band and Bonray.

En Fuego was born as a vision from a young speaker in 1996 and officially began a year later in 1997. The vision grew from 300 students attending the first year to now more than 20,000 people coming from all over to worship.

Although En Fuego is focused toward students, people of all ages are welcome to attend the free event.

The purpose of the festival is for everyone who attends to be on fire for Jesus. This is where the name of the event originated.

En Fuego in Spanish means "on fire." It is an opportunity where people cannot only listen to great Christian artists, but have the chance to hear an original Gospel message preached.

The festival has changed numerous people's lives over the years, by committing and dedicating themselves to the Lord. An outdoor festival, with a true camp-like feel, En Fuego fosters a great environment where people can truly come together.

Travis Crim, founder of En Fuego once said "unbridled passion for a holy God, intimate worship of the Father, challenging scriptural truth, the arts displayed for the glory of the Lord, calls to ministry, repentance, lives changed by the gospel of Christ forever... you've just described En Fuego."

For more information, including directions, contact information, sponsorship forms and a complete schedule of the day, check out En Fuego's website <https://enfuegoinfo.com/>

Local DAV Wiregrass Chapter 99 meeting planned for Aug. 23rd

The August meeting for the DAV Wiregrass Chapter 99, located in New Brockton, will be held Thursday, Aug. 23, at 6 p.m.

The meeting will take place at McLin's Restaurant, Daleville, Ala. The group will be installing new officers for the upcoming 2018 - 2019 year.

RSVP Chuck Lobell by Aug. 19th if planning to attend. Arrive by 6 p.m. to insure prompt service to all that attend.

For further information contact Charles Lobdell at 334-718-5707.

en Fuego SCHEDULE

****All times are approximate and subject to change without notice**

12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.
GATES OPEN
PRE FESTIVAL MUSIC

1:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.
TORI PARRIS
BONRAY

2:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.
RHETT WALKER BAND
RYAN STEVENSON
SCOTT DAWSON

6:30 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.
SIDEWALK PROPHETS
SKILLET

Vendor registration is open for 15th annual Jack Day Festival

Altrusa International of Jack, Alabama, a non-profit, community service organization, sponsors the Jack Day Community Festival each year on the campus of Zion Chapel Schools.

This year's event, set for Saturday, Sept. 15, is the 15th year for the Jack Day Festival. The event is from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. and will include arts and crafts, food, entertainment, children's activities and more.

Registration is open now for those wanting to rent vendor space for the festival. General booths (crafts, merchandise, non-profit/community) and Zion Chapel School Student Organizations (beta club, cheerleaders, FFA, SGA, band, etc., but not including concessions) are a 10'x10' space. Food vendor booths (concessions, food trucks, and/or food trailers) are a 10'x20' space.

General booths are allowed the sale of food and/or drink items, but must comply with the health guidelines of food vendors. The sale and distribution of any food or drink items must be approved by Altrusa International of Jack prior to the day of the festival.

All proceeds from the Jack Day Community Festival will be used to benefit Zion Chapel Schools and the Jack Community.

General booth rental is \$30 in advance or \$40 day of festival; Zion Chapel School Organizations booth rental is \$20 in advance or \$30 day of festival; and food vendor booths are \$100 in advance. There also is a \$10 fee if electric hookup is needed.

For more information or to receive a vendor registration form, contact Britley Parker at (334) 300-6974 or mikebritkin@hotmail.com; or Jennifer Gatlin at (334) 372-5817 or jenniferdflowe@yahoo.com.

All checks should be made payable to Altrusa International of Jack.

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What Is Child Find?

Child Find is a statewide effort by the Alabama State Department of Education and the Department of Rehabilitation Services to locate, identify, and evaluate children with disabilities from birth to age 21.

How Does Child Find Work?

Early Intervention and Special Education Services work closely with community service agencies, parents, and local school systems to locate children with disabilities. A toll-free number is provided for parents or other persons interested in information about referring a child from birth to age 21.

Why Is Child Find Important?

It helps the child, the family, and the provider to plan appropriate services and link families to services for students meeting eligibility requirements in the following disability areas:

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- Deaf-Blindness
- Intellectual Disability
- Multiple Disabilities
- Orthopedic Impairment
- Other Health Impairment
- Emotional Disability
- Speech and Language Impairment
- Visual Impairment
- Specific Learning Disabilities
- Autism
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Developmental Delay

For more information about Child Find, contact your local school system, local coordinating council, or call

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CHURCH NEWS

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Are You Ready to Run?

The major difference between a marathon and a half-marathon is 13.1 miles. A marathon covers 26.2 miles, usually around a city either in a big loop with the start and finish close together or with a start in one area and a finish in another. A half-marathon is 13.1 miles and often is run as just that -- half of a marathon race. There are, however, major differences in training for and running these events.

Training for a full marathon requires more time and more running distance. Typical marathon training programs cover from 18 to 32 weeks, while half-marathon training is about eight to 12 weeks. Marathon workouts include more long runs, working up to 20 to 26 miles in the weeks immediately preceding the race. Half-marathoners rarely run more than 10 or 12 miles in training.

Hebrews 12:1-3 teaches us how to run our lifelong "marathon" to Christ. First, we must shuck off (v. 1) those things that are hindering our journey. King James' word "weight" gives the idea of a mass that is causing our load to bow and bend. Here are our heartaches, setbacks, worries and anything that causes our load to be heavy. Read Matt 11:28-30, 1 Peter 5:7 and Philippians 4:6-7, these give truth that Christ will lift your load.

Second we must suit up (v. 1). We have to be prepared to run this journey. We are to run forward with full effort and with a directed purpose. Why run? We run the race of faith to finish strong. We need to build up "endurance" to run. Endurance gives the idea that God enables the believer to remain under the challenges that fall on us in this life.

Thirdly, we need to set our sights (v. 2). Hebrews 11 tells us some of those who have finished their race and guess what? They made it across the finish line. How did they make it, by looking to Jesus. He is the originator of our faith, i.e. He said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life no man comes to the father except by me (John 14:6). Verse 3 tells us if we consider what Christ has suffered for us we will not grow weary or lose heart in this race. Jesus, along with those who are in heaven are shouting, "You can make it."

Woodland Grove Baptist Church set for Sunday, Aug. 12, at 10:30 a.m.

Woodland Grove Baptist Church will celebrate Homecoming on Sunday, August 12, at 10:30 a.m.

The Old Southern Gospel group will be spreading the Word of God through song.

Coffee County's Prayer Walk for Schools set for Sunday, Aug. 26

The Annual School Prayer Walk (sponsored by Coffee Baptist Women but including all area churches) will be held on Sunday, Aug. 26, at 4 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Make plans to go to any school in the Enterprise City School System, Coffee

County School System, and Elba City School System and pray for the children, teachers, support workers, and administration. A leader is assigned to each school.

Anyone with questions should call the Coffee Baptist Association office at (334) 894-6411.

Men and Women Day Celebration set for Aug. 12th at Greater Bethel AMEC

Men and Women Day Celebration - Men in Black & Women in White - will be Sunday, Aug. 12, at 2:30 p.m. at Greater Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church. The church is located at

33 Harper Drive, Elba. Special guest will be Presiding Elder Samuel Smith, North East AL Annual Conference of the AMEC Phenix City District. Everyone invited.

Homecoming service planned for Aug. 12th at Basin Baptist Church

Basin Baptist Church, located at 9757 Highway 189, Elba, will have its annual Homecoming service on Sunday, Aug. 12th.

This will be the 85th anniversary celebration for the church as well.

The music program will begin at approximately

9:45 a.m. with the morning worship service set for 11 a.m. A covered dish lunch will be held in the fellowship hall immediately following morning worship.

Former pastor Rev. Sam Totten will be the guest speaker.

All are invited to attend.

Rocky Head Missionary Baptist Church plans Homecoming and Revival services

Rocky Head Missionary Baptist Church, 3871 Hwy. 125 N, Elba, will have its annual Homecoming service on Sunday, Aug. 12, at 10 a.m.

Revival Services begin

Sunday evening, Aug. 12, at 6 p.m. and continue Aug. 13-16 at 7 p.m. each night with guest Pastor Brian Brunson.

Everyone invited to attend.

Elba Zion Missionary Baptist Church planning special program for Aug. 19

The Elba Zion Missionary Baptist Church plans to celebrate its 18th Appreciation Program honoring Pastor Lovell Martin and his wife, Ida Martin, on Sunday, Aug. 19, beginning at 2:30 p.m.

Special guest minister and church will be Rev. George Gilchrist and the First Baptist Church family of Troy, Ala.

All local churches are

invited to come and share as Elba Zion Missionary Baptist Church celebrates 18 years of dedicated service.

Mulberry District Association announces program planned for Saturday, Aug. 25th

The Mulberry District Association Founders' Day Program is set for Saturday, Aug. 25, at the Mulberry District Association Building, located on Hwy. 84 West in Elba.

The program begins at 4 p.m., and special guest

Round and About With Eria's Daughter

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Scripture: Fruitfulness [Psalm 92: 14, Gal. 15: 22]

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Lydia M. Kelley 7/10
Shelly Davis Jr. 7/11
Kerrie Lawford 7/11
Ramona Hardwick 7/12 (in memory)
Afrenee Kelley 7/12
Betty Coleman Rodgers 7/13
Curtis O. Kelley 7/13
Connie Bones 7/13
Rita Gray 7/13
Jakori J. Warren 7/13
Brandon Wade 7/13

What Would You Do?

The election season is quite a time for those of us who live in democratic societies. Candidates are seen every where debating in town meetings, making promises on television, and flaunting their names on billboards.

speaker will be Rev. Raymond Franklin, pastor of the Rock Elvy Missionary Baptist Church and moderator of the Helicon District Association.

All local churches are invited to attend.

Nearly all of them want to improve public education, stop the flow of illegal drugs, and reduce taxes. And, when we elect the people who have clamored for change, isn't it amazing to see how few changes occur?

What would you do if you became King? Imagine you were living back in the time when the King's word was law. When he had a powerful army to back him and when there was no opposition party.

What would you do first?

Question / Answer Session

Q/A for the Week of 8-2-18

Q: How old was Moses when he died? (120 years) (130 years) (100 years)
A: Moses was 120 years old when he died [read Deut. 34: 7]

Q: How long did Israel weep for Moses after his death? (30 days) (1 year) (50 days)
A: Israel wept for Moses thirty days. [read Deut. 34: 8]

Thought to Remember

Time spend with God is time well spent

Question for the Week of 8-9-18

Q: To what city did Joshua gather all the tribes of Israel?

Use Your Concordance
Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

AA~NA MEETING

sponsored by the Elba Ministerial Association is held each Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Elba Church of Christ, located at 715 N. Troy Hwy, Elba. Get free coffee and support. For more information, call 334-494-3353 or 334-897-2057.

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Richard Thorn, Sr. Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Night Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class . . . 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train . . . 5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
Tom Senn, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPT CHURCH
Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Remonia Smith
Church Service . . . 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH
Larry Mills-Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH

Diana White, Pastor
Bible Study . . . 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship . . . 9:45 a.m.
Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities) . . . 6:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPT. CHURCH
Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH
Dale Morgan-Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training . . . 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

EATON BAPTIST CHURCH
Mark Ward, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST
Phillip Box, Minister
Bible Study . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
Rev. David Noble, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
H.L. Buckner-Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night . . . 6:00 p.m.
Thur. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE
Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Dwight Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA 1st BAPTIST CHURCH
Michael Woodham, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Michael Lawler, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPT. CHURCH
Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Timothy Williams, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPT CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Service . . . 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH
Phillip Adcock, Pastor
Sunday Morning . . . 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

1st ASSEMBLYS OF GOD - KINSTON
Danny Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
Scott Donaldson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH
Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH.
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Sat. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Service . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 4:00 p.m.

GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Willie L. Peterson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Michael Lawler Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 8:45 a.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Shirley Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH
Mark Cooper, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting . . . 7:00 p.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting . . . 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH
Garry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting . . . 7:00 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Matthew Morris, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service . . . 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH
Ben Posey, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH
Derrick Stinson, Pastor
Saturday Service . . . 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service . . . 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST
Greg Hanchey, Minister
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH
Rev. Charles Jones, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
Dewey Emfinger, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
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Planing, Resurface, Traffic Stripe and Turn Lanes on C.R. 114 from AL. Hwy. 167 northeasterly to Wayne Farms. Length - 0.886 miles in the County of Coffee, State of Alabama.

The bracket estimate on this project is from \$500,000 to \$600,000. This bracket range is shown only to provide general financial information to contractors and bonding companies concerning the project's complexity and size. This bracket should not be used in preparing a bid, nor will this bracket have any bearing on the decision to award the contract.

The entire project shall be completed in thirty-five (35) working days.

A cashier's check (drawn on an Alabama bank) or bid bond payable to the Coffee County Commission for an amount of 5% of bid (maximum - \$10,000) must accompany each bid as evidence of good faith.

Proposals will be issued only to and accepted from contractors on the Alabama Department of Transportation's (ALDOT) List of Pre-Qualified Contractors. The award of the contract will be made only to a contractor who has a valid certification of qualification from ALDOT as required by State Law and will not be made to any bidder who is considered by ALDOT to be disqualified from bidding, or is an affiliate of or has a corporate officer, director, or principal owner who is a corporate officer, director, or owner of, another person who is presently disqualified by ALDOT. Further details and definitions

regarding this provision are included in section 102 of special provision 18-LPA2 and ALDOT's standard specifications.

Proof of insurance coverage of the types and amounts as set forth in the project specifications will be required of the contractor, and any and all subcontractors, prior to beginning work. The contractor will be required to perform work amounting to at least 30% of the total contract cost with his own organization.

This is a state-funded project through ALDOT. The proposed work shall be performed in conformity with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations. Plans, Specifications and Proposals may be obtained at the Coffee County Engineer's Office, Highway 84, New Brockton, Alabama from 6:30 A.M. until 5:00 P.M., Monday through Thursday (telephone 334/894-6112).

A proposal fee of \$10.00 is required if plans are picked up and a fee of \$20.00 is required if plans are mailed. The \$10.00 Fee will be returned to unsuccessful bidders who return plans in a reusable condition within ten (10) days after bid opening. The bidder's proposal must be submitted on the complete original proposal furnished him by the Coffee County Commission. Bids will be received only from contractors duly licensed by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors.

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Dean Smith, Chairman
Coffee County Commission
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IN THE MATTER OF EVELYN L. SHARPLESS, deceased.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION
CASE NO: PC-2018-048

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LEGAL NOTICE

NEWELL ROAD-BUILDERS, INC., hereby gives notice of completion of contract with The State of Alabama for construction of Project No. NHF 0203 (523) in Coffee County. This notice will appear for four consecutive weeks beginning on August 9, 2018, and ending on August 30, 2018. All claims should be filed at 13266 US Highway 31 / Hope Hull, AL 36043 during this period.

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Enterprise native plans to reflect on Public Service and Americanism at Wednesday, Aug. 15, RWCC meeting

Former Alabama Supreme Court Justice Glenn Murdock will be the guest speaker at the Wednesday, August 15, meeting of the Republican Women of Coffee County.

Justice Murdock was born in Enterprise, Ala., and is a 1974 graduate of Enterprise High School. He attended the University of Alabama, and graduated Phi Beta Kappa and summa cum laude in 1978, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and Economics. He received his Juris Doctorate degree in 1981 from the University of Virginia Law School.

After working as a private practice attorney, he was elected to Alabama Court of Civil Appeals in 2000. In 2006, he was elected to the Alabama Supreme Court, and was re-elected in 2012. Justice Murdock resigned his position as Justice on January



16, 2018, in order to explore other professional opportunities and other ways in which he might be of service to Alabama.

The meeting will begin at 11 a.m. with social time. The optional buffet begins at 11:30 and the program will begin at noon. The public is invited to attend, but reservations are necessary in order to ensure adequate seating and food.

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OUTDOORS

Tagging program tracks redfish, speckled trout

By DAVID RAINER,
Alabama Department of
Conservation and Natural
Resources

While the fanfare surrounding the Alabama Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo (ADSFR) proceeded nearby, Reid Nelson deftly made a series of surgeon's knots to sew up an incision on the belly of a redfish that was a part of the live weigh-in category at the rodeo.

Nelson, a graduate student in the University of South Alabama's Marine Sciences Department, inserted an acoustic tag in the redfish, red drum if you're a purist or marine scientist, as part of the Coastal Alabama Acoustic Monitoring Program (CAAMP).

CAAMP monitors 55 receiver stations strategically placed in Alabama coastal waters to catch pings, which happen once a minute during the one-year lifespan of the acoustic tags in the fish.

Nelson said 100 red drum were tagged in 2015. In 2016, another 100 red drum were tagged. Also in 2016, all tagging that didn't occur at the ADSFR was transferred to Dog River and Fowl River on the western shore of Mobile Bay.

Nelson said the goal of CAAMP is to study fishing mortality, natural mortality and fish movement in response to water temperature and salinity levels.

Last year, the team added speckled trout to the tagging program and will continue to work with trout this year. As expected, redfish is a hardy species that handles catch-and-release very well. Speckled trout are not quite as resilient but still survive well enough to justify the live-release effort.

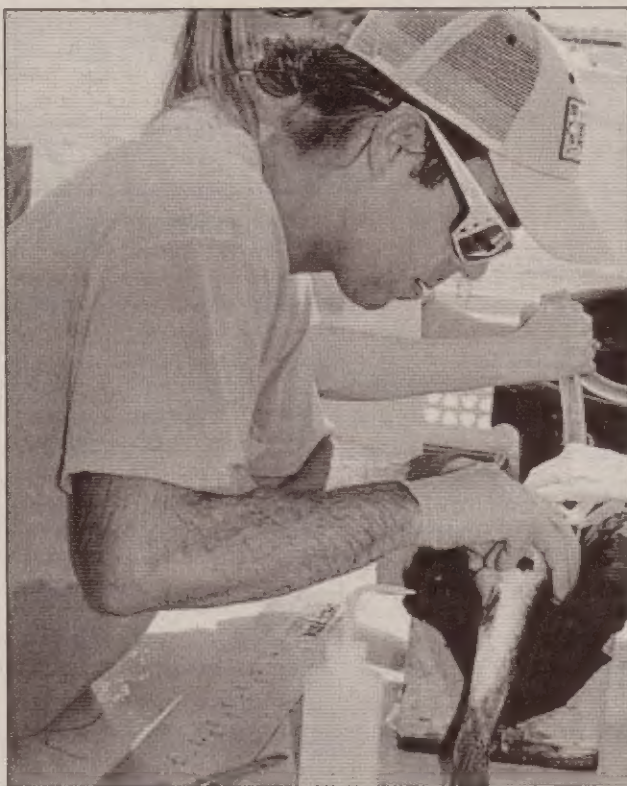
"With the popularity of the live weigh-in at the rodeo, we looked at it as a nice opportunity to tag live fish from different places," Nelson said. "You can actually look at how successful live weigh-ins are. What we have seen from fish tagged at the rodeo, about 98 percent of the red drum have lived. About 78 percent of the speckled trout that we tagged at the rodeo have lived.

"Overall, mortality is pretty low, which I think is amazing. Some of the red drum were brought from all over, as far away as Mississippi and Louisiana."

Nelson said 20 red drum and 15 speckled trout were fitted with the acoustic tags, which cost about \$300 each, and released during the 2018 ADSFR. CAAMP is funded through the Alabama Marine Resources Division with a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

"What was really interesting about the rodeo is the map where the fish came from that were released at the rodeo," he said. "One of the main concerns about a live weigh-in program is the fish won't leave that area once they are released. Unlike the fish we tagged in the rivers, the fish we tagged at the rodeo leave Dauphin Island pretty readily. We've detected those fish as far away as Raft River in the Mobile Delta. We've detected them in Fowl River. We've detected them off the Gulf State Park Pier. They have even been detected by receiver arrays that other groups have out. It's really remarkable how quickly and widespread these fish disperse.

"It's interesting to do science with a part of the tournament. That's really never been done. Another interesting thing is fishermen have been really good about telling us where they caught the fish. What we have seen is about 25 percent of the fish have gone back to where they were caught. With red drum that were caught in the rivers and brought to the rodeo, about 70 percent of those fish will disperse and end up returning to one of our local rivers.



Reid Nelson carefully inserts an acoustic tag into a redfish at the Alabama Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo.

Photo by David Rainer

That's been an amazing aspect of the study. We have no idea how those fish find their way back. It could be olfaction or chemoreceptors. It's probably a combination of many navigation senses."

Natural mortality with the red drum tagged in the first year of the study has been surprisingly low, according to Nelson. Out of the 100 fish tagged, only three died of natural causes. Fishing mortality took 10 out of the population in Fowl River from 2016-2017, and nine redfish were lost to fishing mortality in Dog River during the same time span.

"One of the other interesting things we saw is the seasonal peaks in the rivers," Nelson said. "We saw more fishing mortality in the fall and spring."

An eye-opening aspect of the CAAMP data when speckled trout were added to the study is the significant disparity in movement between species in response to weather and salinity changes.

"One of the most interesting things we've seen is a lot of the red drum really didn't move that much from where they were actually tagged," Nelson said. "Out of Fowl River, we had 13 fish leave the river over the course of the year, which is not very many in the grand scheme of things. Only five left Dog River during that year. For the year we have data, they were pretty much resident fish. Some of them would use different parts of the river. But for the most part, they tended to remain in the area where they were originally tagged."

"In fact, we had a family call in a fish a few months ago that had been tagged about a year ago. They literally caught that fish where we tagged it at Delta Port in Fowl River. That was amazing."

Nelson said the most movement observed during the study came in December of 2016 when the water temperature was cooler than normal and the salinity was very high because of a lack of rain in the fall.

"The big conclusion so far on redfish is the majority of the slot fish tend to be resident," he said. "It looks like they are pretty resilient to changes in temperature and salinity. We've seen big fluctuations in those two factors, and the fish didn't leave the rivers when the salinity and temperature varied quite a bit. I thought that was really interesting."

Now, throw speckled trout into the study, and the movement patterns are vastly different.

"During the first year of the big study with speckled

trout, it was almost the complete opposite story," Nelson said. "The trout were tagged last November and December. They were resident in the deep holes in the rivers until about February. When it was really cold, they were staying in the rivers. Once it started to warm up, we saw a push of fish leaving the rivers pretty quickly, moving down to Mississippi Sound and Dauphin Island. That is what you would expect."

"We had a couple of fish that moved from Dog River to the Mobile River. One of those fish actually came in at the rodeo. Instead of staying in the river, they pushed out relatively quickly."

Nelson is also working with another program to study fish movement. The TAG Alabama program is sponsored by the Coastal Conservation Association of Alabama and relies on local anglers to insert dart tags in red drum and speckled trout caught in Alabama coastal waters.

"What we're seeing with TAG Alabama is that many of those redfish are coming back right close to where they were tagged as well," he said. "With TAG Alabama, we get a much larger spread of tagging locations instead of just the rivers."

Anglers participating in TAG Alabama go to the website at <http://tags.usouthal.edu/> to log tagging and recapture efforts for trout and redfish as well as red snapper, tripletails and sharks.

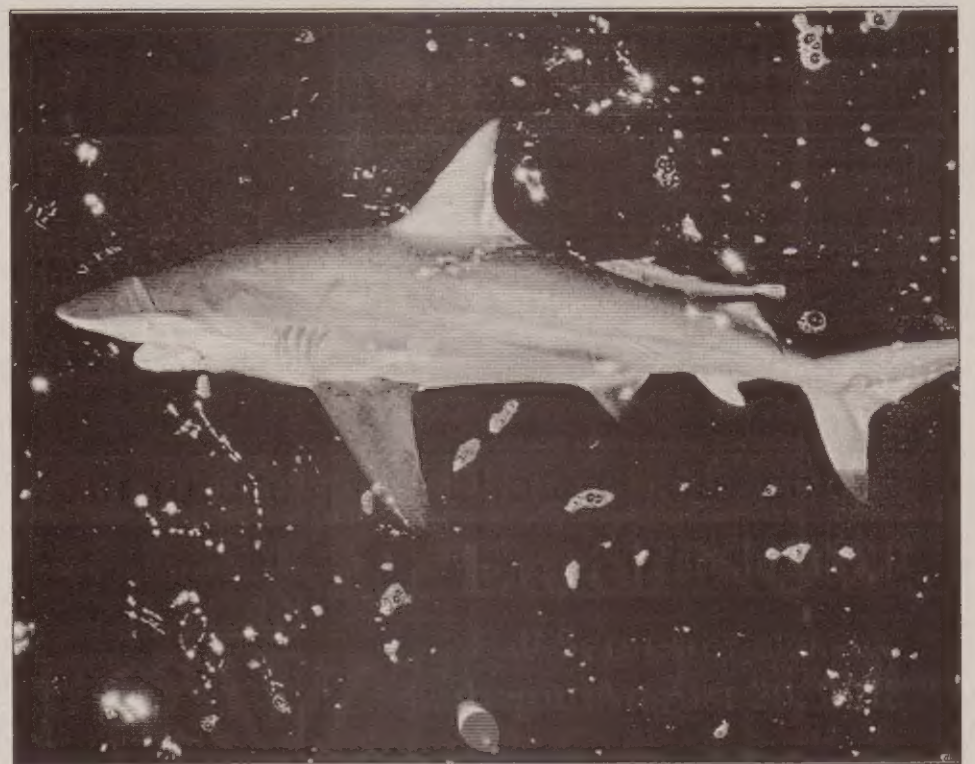
"We've had 743 red drum and speckled trout tagged so far," Nelson said. "Considering we launched the program in April this year, that's a lot. We've had 65 of those fish recaptured."

"I'm excited about this. CCA Alabama is providing the funding for this. I'm hoping we can keep this going."

Another tagging effort that occurred partially during this year's ADSFR involved tarpon, known as the silver king.

With the help of local tarpon enthusiasts during the ADSFR, researchers from Dauphin Island Sea Lab and Mississippi State University managed to attach eight satellite tags. Two more tarpon were caught and tagged the Saturday after the rodeo.

Of the eight fish tagged during the rodeo, all but one high-tailed it toward Louisiana, one traveling as far as the southern tip of Louisiana near South Pass. One fish, however, decided to explore Mobile Bay and made a huge loop inside the bay before heading west.



This spinner shark was caught during a previous shark-fishing event.

(Photo by David Rainer)

August gulf pier shark fishing dates announced

The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources announces that the following dates have been selected for managed shark fishing at the Gulf State Park Saltwater Fishing Pier: August 12, 14, 19, 21, 26 and 28.

The shark fishing will take place on the south end of the pier – called the octagon – from 7 p.m. until 7 a.m. the next morning on the selected Sundays and Tuesdays.

The octagon will close to routine use 30 minutes prior to these events, and reopen to routine use 30 minutes following them. During the events, the octagon area of the pier will be designated for the exclusive use of participating anglers and their designated assistants. The remainder of the pier will be open to anglers and other pier guests as normal.

The August managed shark-fishing events will allow for 15 anglers per occasion, with no more than one rod and reel per angler in use. Each angler may have one additional assistant, and anglers are encouraged to assist one another while fishing.

This allows for a maximum of 30 individuals on the octagon area during each event.

Angler gear shall allow for larger reel sizes, but otherwise remain the same as provided for under existing pier rules, and anglers are required to provide their own gear.

Registration for the shark-fishing events is ongoing and anglers will continue to be selected in the order in which applications are received. To register for participation, visit www.alapark.com/shark-fishing. Applicants will need to provide contact information for notification of selection and will be notified a week or more in advance of the date for

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Views From The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our little grandson Lawson began school as a second grader this week and was ready to get back to class after what he said was a long summer. My little man bought a new book bag over the weekend and was decked out in new clothes when the bell rung bright and early Monday morning. My heart is now back at school, and I pray for the best year ever and a peaceful and learning environment from which to continue his growing years.

For what it is worth....

*** **The Elba Tigers are back at work this week** and in this week's sports pages is the football schedule for the upcoming season. The schedule includes one team that was on the schedule a year ago, as well as three teams that are on the schedule for the first time ever and three other teams that the Tigers have played four or fewer times in the long history of Elba Tiger football. To say the Tigers and their fans are in for a new season would be somewhat of an understatement! After opening the season against long time foe Opp, the Tigers will travel to Pleasant Home and Kinston to kick off region play, before coming home for homecoming against Florala, a non-region clash with G.W. Long, and a big region battle against Brantley. Road trips to battle 1A power Georgiana and Red Level will follow, then will come the final home game of the season and the region finale against McKenzie. The Tigers will head to the beaches for their regular season finale against 6A power Tate. While the move down to 1A has many smiling, the schedule includes 3A Opp, 2A G.W. Long and 6A Tate, not to mention region powers Georgiana and Brantley. The schedule may have a new look, but it will be no walk in the park for the Tigers as they hunt for another long run in the playoffs.

*** **College football was back in the news last week** as the opening of preseason drills also brought with it some controversy, not all invented by the news media! Of course the biggest news came from the campus of Ohio State where Urban Meyer was placed on leave after news broke that he made of hid knowledge of domestic abuse charges made against an assistant coach. The Big Ten conference has been mired in scandals for the past number of years, but this one made the headlines instantly when the Buckeyes put their big name and big money head coach on the sidelines. Alabama quarterback Jalen Hurts was also in the news when he stated he was disappointed in the words of Coach Nick Saban at SEC media days and insinuated the decision about who will start at the quarterback position for the Tide has already been made. Hurts has won a lot of football games for the Crimson Tide over the last two years and has led the team to two straight national title games. However, Coach Saban will start the quarterback he feels will be the best for the team and the one that can possibly help it win another national title. The fact Hurts feels slighted will carry no weight and the fact he made the statements to the media will also not help him get back his job.

*** **In closing....** the kickoff of high school and college football is still a couple of weeks away, and that means all area anglers still have time to get in some time fishing at the Coffee County Lake before it is time to go to games on Fridays and sit in front of the tube to tune in college games on the weekend. I know it is still a little hot to sit in the sun or in a boat during the heat of the day, but the best times to fish are early in the morning and late in the evening. So, make plans to c'mon out before football season takes over and get outdoors. Fishing is a cheap and fun way to help the family get out and enjoy an afternoon out of the house for a few hours, and who knows.... you may get to show off your skills to all the family members.

As Elba begins 1A trek

Nine new faces on the schedule

The change in classification brought about a number of changes for the Elba Tigers, but nowhere is the change any more evident than in the Tigers 2018 football schedule, where only one team returns from last year's schedule.

The lone returnee on the schedule will be the Opp Bobcats, the Tigers oldest rival and a team Elba will be facing for the 83rd time on the gridiron.

Elba will kick off preseason action on Aug. 24, when the Tigers take the field against the Wicksburg Panthers. Elba also competed against the 3A Panthers a year ago in preseason play, and in regular season play own a 2-0 record over Wicksburg, with the wins coming in 2004-2005. Wicksburg has posted an impressive 25-10 record the last three years after struggling to seven straight losing seasons, and a year ago compiled a 10-2 record.

Elba will open regular season play on the road on Aug. 31 when the Tigers travel to Channel-Lee stadium to tangle with the Opp Bobcats. The Tigers won six straight games over the Bobcats from 2006-2011, but have struggled to a 2-4 record against their oldest rivals in recent history, and own a 38-44 all-time record against the Bobcats, despite posting a 30-18 win a year ago. Opp recorded a lackluster 4-6 record last season and missed the playoffs for the first time in four years, as well as snapping the Bobcats string of three straight seasons with eight or more wins.

ELBA TIGERS		
2018 Football Schedule		
AUG. 24	WICKSBURG *	MACK WOOD FIELD
AUG. 31	OPP	CHANNEL-LEE STADIUM
SEPT. 7	PLEASANT HOME **	EAGLE STADIUM
SEPT. 14	KINSTON **	BULLDOG STADIUM
SEPT. 21	FLORALA **	MACK WOOD FIELD
SEPT. 28	G.W. LONG	MACK WOOD FIELD
OCT. 5	BRANTLEY	MACK WOOD FIELD
OCT. 12	GEORGIANA	HARMON FIELD
OCT. 19	RED LEVEL	CRYSTAL SPRINGS PARK
OCT. 26	MCKENZIE	MACK WOOD FIELD
NOV. 2	J.M. TATE	PENSACOLA, FLORIDA
* PRE-SEASON GAME ** REGION GAME		
Note: The Sept. 21st game vs Florala is Homecoming for Elba		

Elba will swing into region action on Sept. 7 when the Tigers travel to Eagle Stadium to meet the Pleasant Home Eagles. It will be the first-ever meeting between the two teams on the gridiron, and while the Eagles posted a 5-6 record a year ago and made their first playoff appearance in five years, they have posted a combined record of 11-10 the last two seasons.

Elba will remain on the road on Sept. 14 when they head down the road for a region clash against the Kinston Bulldogs, at Bulldog Stadium. It will mark the first time the two cross-county rivals have met on the gridiron since 1995, when the Tigers posted a 48-6 win, and the Tigers own a 3-0 all-time slate in the series, with the other two wins coming in 1929 and 1938. The

Bulldogs posted a 5-5 record last season after a disappointing one-win season the year before, and averaged over 34 points per game in advancing to the playoffs for the sixth time in eight seasons.

Elba will celebrate homecoming at its first home game of the regular season on Sept. 21 when the Tigers renew their rivalry against the Florala Wildcats after a 43-year absence on the schedule. The two region rivals have met 32 times throughout the years and own a rare record of 14-14-4, with the most recent contest being a 13-12 Florala win way back in 1975. The Wildcats struggled to a 3-6 record last season and haven't made a trip to the playoffs in ten years, but did average over 34 points a game a year ago and broke a number of school records in the process.

Elba will be back at home on Sept. 28 when they host the G.W. Long Rebels. The Tigers own a 3-1 all-time record in the brief series and have won the last three meetings, with the last two wins coming in the playoffs in 2014 and 2015. The Rebels struggled to a 1-9 record last season after five straight seasons of 10 wins or more and saw their playoff streak of seven straight trips come to an end.

Elba will close out its three-game homestand on Oct. 5 when they host the Brantley Bulldogs in a key region tilt. The Tigers own a 31-11 all-time edge over their new region rivals, but have won only three of the last ten meetings, despite winning the last contest in a 26-19 thriller. The Bulldogs posted an 8-4 record last season and have rolled to 21 straight winning seasons and 21 straight playoff appearances. Brantley hasn't lost more than one region game in 17 years, and has been a region power for almost two decades.

Elba will be back on the road and will remain in

region competition on Oct. 12 when the Tigers travel to Harmon Field to battle the Georgiana Panthers. It will mark the first game between the two new region rivals in 21 years, and the Tigers have lost the last five games, including a 20-7 setback in 1997. The Panthers posted an 11-1 record last season, own a remarkable 34-4 record over the last three years and have won three straight region crowns. The two rivals own a 5-5 all-time series record.

Elba will head to the peaceful surroundings of Crystal Springs Park on Oct. 19 when they tangle with the Red Level Tigers, in region play. The Tigers own a 3-1 all-time edge in the brief history of the series and posted a lopsided 80-6 win in the last meeting back in 2011. Red Level struggled to an 0-10 record last season, its third winless season in the past six years, and hasn't recorded a winning season since back in 2006.

Elba will return home on Oct. 26 and will close out its region wars against the McKenzie Tigers. It will mark the first meeting ever between the two teams on the gridiron, but will be an important region contest. McKenzie struggled to a 3-7 record last season, its first losing season in ix years, and the three-win campaign ended a streak of four straight trips to the post-season.

Elba will close out the regular season on Nov. 2 when the Tigers head across the state line to Pensacola, Florida, for a battle against the Tate Aggies. It will be the first ever meeting between the two teams and a rare out-of-state match-up for the Tigers. The Aggies posted a 6-4 record a year ago and advanced to the Class 6A playoffs. They scored an average of 33 points a game a year ago, and in its only meeting against a team from Alabama rolled to a 57-13 win over 7A Smiths Station.

Reynolds named basketball coach at New Brockton High

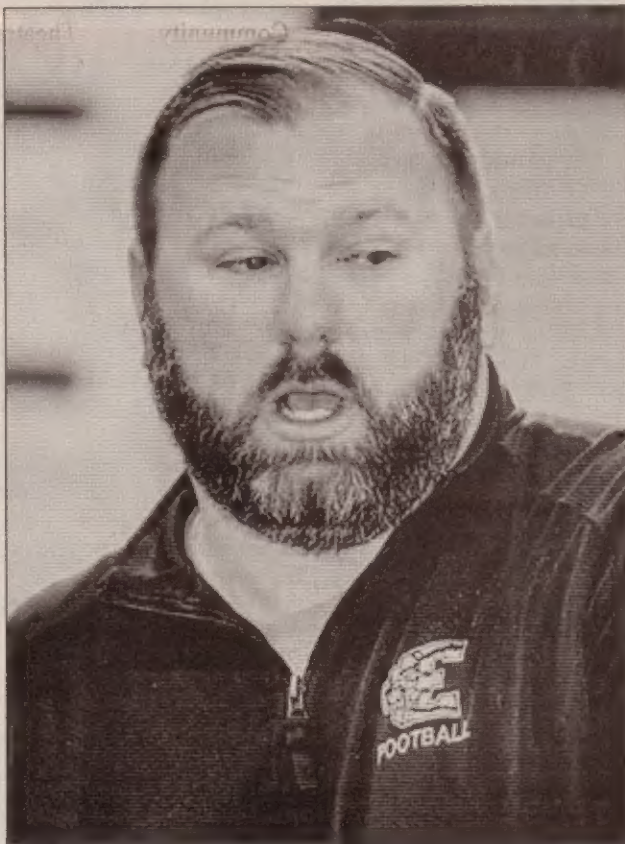
Coffee County school officials made the decision to promote from within last week when they named Eric Reynolds as the Gamecocks new head basketball coach.

Reynolds was a former assistant coach for departed head coach Anthony Carter and had been at New Brockton was two years.

Gamecock athletic director and head football coach Justin Jones stated he felt it was an advantage to promote from within, and Reynolds also reported the move would be best for the

program.

"I think it will make the transition a lot easier for the kids," stated Reynolds in a published interview in the Southeast Sun. "There is obviously a lot of things we have to do, but I'm already a member of the program and know the kids, which should really help. I am very excited and appreciative of the opportunity that has been given me. It is really an exciting time to be a part of New Brockton High School and I am really excited to take over the basketball program."



Harrison makes move from Dale County to take reins

The Elba Tigers will be under the guidance of their third new head football coach in the past seven years when the 2018 season kicks off with former New Brockton and Troy University football stand-out Pate Harrison leading

the charge.

Harrison comes to Elba after spending the last six seasons at Dale County High School, where he was the head football coach and guided the 4A Warriors to a 46-24 record and a 5-5 playoff slate.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

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contributions to their local communities. Ranging from oral history projects to community gardens to mentorship programs, these projects will foster new relationships between schools, students, and local citizens, extending well beyond Alabama's bicentennial celebration.

"Alabama has experienced a lot over our 200 years...the good, and the bad," Governor Ivey said. "But, all along the way our people have made positive impacts to move our state along in the right direction."

She said these school projects for the Bicentennial Initiative would allow students to get to know their state, and the projects also would foster a love for Alabama...the state these students call home.

"One of the core objectives of the bicentennial is to get Alabamians thinking about what makes our state special, and what they want it to be," said Steve Murray, co-chair of the Bicentennial Commission's Education Committee. "The terrific projects developed by the Alabama Bicentennial Schools will create opportunities for students to learn about the importance of community, and to discover the ability they have to shape the future of their corner of the state."

In December of 2019, Ivey said three schools from each of the state's seven congressional districts - 21 schools total - would be selected as Alabama Bicentennial Schools of Excellence based on their project work.

Senator Arthur Orr, chairman of the Alabama Bicentennial Commission, said as of last Friday that every county would have a Bicentennial School joining the efforts of the Bicentennial Initiative. He said the 200 schools selected to be the official Alabama Bicentennial Schools represented 10 private schools, 5 home-schools, one charter school, and 184 public schools.

Elba City Schools is a part of the 2nd Congressional District. Elba also represents the only two schools from Coffee County to be selected as Bicentennial Schools as both the Elba Elementary School project and the Elba High School project were chosen for the initiative.

New Brockton High School did receive an honorable mention.

Elba City Schools superintendent Chris Moseley was one of three superintendents chosen to speak at the Alabama Bicentennial Schools Announcement last Friday morning in Montgomery.

"It is an honor to be here representing Elba City Schools," Moseley said. "I am extremely excited to have both our schools' projects selected for this honor."

Joining Moseley for last Friday's announcement in Montgomery was Elba vice principal Jason Tucker and Elba High School teacher Anna Marie Moore. He thanked each of these for



LEFT: Alabama Governor Kay Ivey introduces the 200 schools selected to be Official Alabama Bicentennial Schools. The governor encouraged educators to support the students by setting the expectations high, but to let the students lead in these Bicentennial projects. She said this will help the students see that their efforts ultimately lead to a better Alabama.

ABOVE: Elba City Schools Superintendent Chris Moseley stands at the microphone speaking about the Bicentennial Initiative projects that will be completed by Elba Elementary School and Elba High School - each selected among the 200 Bicentennial Schools. Moseley was one of three superintendents asked to speak at last Friday ceremony held in the Old House Chamber at the State Capitol in Montgomery, Ala.



Educators from the 2nd Congressional District Schools named as Alabama Bicentennial Schools last Friday in Montgomery are shown here posing for a photo with Alabama Governor Kay Ivey and other state officials.

their dedication to this initiative and said Tucker would be overseeing the elementary school project while Moore would lead the high school project.

Moseley said the high school project would focus on the history of Elba. It said it would be an oral history project entitled Elba is Able.

"We are still here, obviously, after the devastating floods," he said.

As for the elementary school project, Moseley said the students would be publishing books focusing on Alabama land from the area. He said the younger classes at the school would publish as a group while the older classes would publish individually.

"We are very excited to participate in this Bicentennial initiative with both our schools being selected," Moseley said. "Thank you for your support of our schools."

The list of schools selected from the 2nd Congressional District to be official Alabama Bicentennial Schools includes:

Baldwin Arts and Academics Magnet School
Banks Middle School
Bear Exploration Center
Billingsley High School
Bullock County High School
Elba Elementary School
Elba High School
Elmore County High School
Eufaula Elementary School
Eufaula Primary School
Floral High School

Fort Dale Academy
Goshen Elementary School
Goshen High School
Harry N. Mixon Intermediate School
Headland Middle School
LAMP High School
Luverne High School
Lyeffion Jr. High School
Montana Street Magnet School
The Montgomery Academy
Pike County High School
Pine Level Elementary School
Prattville Christian Academy
Rehobeth School District
Samson Elementary School
Valiant Cross Academy
Webb Elementary School
Wetumpka Middle School

For a complete list of the 200 Alabama Bicentennial Schools, visit the Alabama Bicentennial webpage at www.alabama200.org

The Alabama Bicentennial Schools Initiative is presented in partnership by Alabama 200, the Alabama Department of Archives and History (ADAH), and the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE).

"Congratulations to all 200 Bicentennial School," Ivey said. "I look forward to seeing the results of your efforts!"

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SEACT announces new season of entertainment

Southeast Alabama Community Theatre launches a new season of local and live theatre entertainment with the announcement of its 2018/2019 season.

Mary Poppins, Jr. offers good medicine with a spoonful of sugar in September at the Dothan Opera House. She will make a quick getaway as shadows fall and *Dracula* moves in for a spooky Halloween treat. The merry murderesses of the Cook

County Jail take his place in March for the classic musical, *Chicago*. Finally, in April, take a wild cross-country ride with the Honeycutt family. Why drive? Well, *Mama Won't Fly!*

Season tickets are now available and include the four main stage productions. The holidays will take a comic turn as SEACT presents *Every Christmas Story Ever Told* as dinner theatre, sold separately.

Season tickets are

SEACT's primary annual fundraiser. Funds raised during season ticket sales also support youth classes, children's theatre camps, and a high school theatre festival in November. To find out more about Southeast Alabama Community Theatre's new season and ticket subscriptions, visit SEACT.com, or call (334) 794-0400. Tickets are available through subscription or sold separately throughout the season.



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OFF TO SCHOOL! Jace Poole, son of Chris and Kara Poole, of Elba was all smiles Tuesday morning, Aug. 7, when he arrived at Elba Elementary School for his first day of Pre-K. The Pre-K at Elba started a day after the K-12 grades for the school. Jace joins his older siblings Stella Edgar and Keaton Poole as an Elba Tiger now. Stella is in the fourth grade at Elba Elementary School while Keaton moved up to the high school this year, and is in the seventh grade. Reports are that Jace was super excited to begin his school days!

Elba High School Alumni Association annual membership drive underway now

The Elba High School Alumni Association again this school year is ready and willing to help the school system in ways identified as a need.

EHS Alumni Association president Linda Hodge said the only way the alumni association will continue to have the type of success it has had over the past few years is with the continued support of the alumni.

"If you have not already done so, we ask all Elba High alumni to consider renewing your membership for the Elba High School Alumni Association," she said. "We also encourage those who have not already joined to please consider doing so now."

The \$20 annual membership fee can be mailed to Pam Baker, P.O. Box 182, Elba, Alabama 36323. Current members just need to provide their name with the renewal check.

If a current member has had an address change, name change, email change, etc. over the past year, he/she is asked to also send the new information to the association.

For new members, please include the following information with the \$20 membership fee when sending it. Please include name (including maiden name), address, phone number, email, year of graduation, and spouse's name.

The association also is preparing for its annual meeting set for Elba's Homecoming day Friday, Sept. 21st! This will be the fourth annual meeting for the Association. It will be held at the Elba Country Club at approximately 12:30 p.m. A light lunch will be served; therefore, those planning to attend also should email [hodge.family@hotmail.com] to help with planning for lunch.

The day's events will begin that morning with the third annual Alumni Association golf tournament at the Elba Country Club. It will be a four-person scramble golf tournament. Those interested in playing in the Elba High School Alumni Association Golf Tournament, should contact Neil Grantham at neil.grantham@troycable.net

Alabama Symphony Orchestra announces September events

Be sure to see the stunning events coming in September to the Alabama Symphony Orchestra [ASO]!

To purchase tickets, visit ASO online at alabamasymphony.org, in person at 1200 10th Avenue South, Birmingham, AL 35205 or call 205.975.2787.

Concertmaster & Friends: A Night in Budapest

Explore the beauty and mystery of Budapest! Surprise Hungarian guests join concertmaster Daniel Szasz and world-class cimbalom player Jeno Lisztes to explore the rich music of Hungary. The concert is on Tuesday, Sept. 4, at 7:30 p.m. at Samford University's Brock Recital Hall.

This program is a part of Alabama Symphony Orchestra's 2018-2019 Concertmaster & Friends Series.

ASO unwined: Mendelssohn's Italian Symphony

Mendelssohn called the Italian Symphony "the jolliest piece I have ever done." The piece acts as a musical postcard, documenting Mendelssohn's travels through the rolling hills and bustling cities of Italy. For this event, the ASO is partnering with Desert Island Supply Company, a non-profit dedicated to helping students develop the creative tools they need to explore and document their worlds.

The concert is on Thursday, Sept. 13, at 6 p.m. at UAB's Alys Stephens Center.

This program is a part of Alabama Symphony Orchestra's 2018-2019 ASO unwined Series, presented by PNC. Pre-sale tickets are available until August 30. Tickets are general admission and include one complimentary drink.

Red Diamond® SuperPOPS! : Birmingham Does Broadway

Hear talented local performers singing the best of Broadway with the Alabama Symphony Orchestra!

The concert will feature beloved composers Stephen Sondheim, Andrew Lloyd Webber, Stephen Schwartz, and more. The ASO will be joined by vocalists Kristi Tingle Higginbotham, Abijah Cunningham, Brad Simmons, Caleb Clark, and the Steel City Men's Chorus.

The performance is on Friday, Sept. 21, at 7 p.m. at Samford University's Wright Center.

This program is a part of Alabama Symphony Orchestra's 2018-2019 Red Diamond® SuperPOPS! Series.

Symphony 30

This year marks the 21st Annual Symphony 30 Picnic, benefitting the Alabama Symphony Orchestra.

Musicians from the ASO will play a selection of music that the whole family is guaranteed to love. There is a 'kidzone' for kids to enjoy, crafts and other fun activities. Food is provided and all proceeds go to supporting the Alabama Symphony Orchestra's outreach missions in the communities.

The picnic is Sunday, Sept. 30, from 4-6 p.m. at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens.

About the Alabama Symphony Orchestra

Since its founding in 1921, the Alabama Symphony Orchestra has grown to become the state's premier performing arts organization and only full-time professional orchestra. The ASO inspires, entertains, and provides vital programming to the residents of the state, serving nearly 100,000 people yearly throughout Alabama through concert series, youth programs, and educational and community engagement efforts to fulfill our mission of changing lives through music. The ASO works to produce creative, dynamic programming and to be recognized as an artistically innovative leader in the field.



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